Blueprint for improving civic services in Metropolitan Cities

1206. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a new blueprint for tonning up the crumbling basic civic services in some of the major metropolitan cities is on the envil;

(b) if so, the details thereof and by when the scheme is likely to be finalised and put into effect; and

(c) whether the proposed scheme would also take care of the mushrooming growth of slums, jhuggies and jhonpries in the urban areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The blueprint is in the initial stages of formulation and hence details are not available.

Conversion of Leasehold Property into Freehold in Delhi

1207. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have announced a scheme for converting leasehold properties into freehold in Delhi at some concessional rates;

(b) -if so, the details thereof and the time upto which the scheme is valid;

(c) the response of the people to the scheme; and

(d) whether it is proposed to extend the duration of the scheme so as to enable more people to benefit from the scheme, and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA): (a) Yes, Sir.